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PORTLAND HOTELS.

The following is a list of the hotels in Portland, with rates on the American plan. Delegates will do well to engage accommodations early.

The Falmouth (Headquarters).....	\$2.50 to \$4.00
The Lafayette	\$2.50 to \$4.50
West End Hotel.....	\$2.50 to \$3.50
Congress Square Hotel.....	\$2.00 and up.
Preble House	\$2.50 to \$3.00
Columbia Hotel	\$2.50 to \$3.50
Swetts Hotel	\$2.00

Private boarding houses, with or without meals, in large number. Delegates intending to stop at such should write in advance to *Mrs. C. A. Weston, 10 Pleasant Ave., Portland, Me.*

All hotels are within easy and quick access of Headquarters.

PLACE OF MEETING.

All meetings, general and section meetings, will be held in the CITY HALL.

CONFERENCE MAIL.

Delegates may have their mail addressed in care of the General Secretary of the Conference, at the Falmouth Hotel.

CONFERENCE BADGES.

The Executive Committee announces that the badges provided by the Conference for all members and delegates who register with the Secretary, will be simple ribbon badges, bearing in gilt the name of the Conference and the place and year of the session.

The committee has adopted a bronze metal badge, which can be purchased of the Secretary, at the cost price of thirty cents each, by members who wish to use them with the ribbon badges. They are of appropriate design with the name of the Conference, but without date, so that they may be used year after year.

This action was taken by the committee in the hope that thus the badges used at sessions in future will be simple and similar in design, and in order to use the money thus saved for printing and other necessary and educational purposes.

The officers and members of the Executive Committee will wear the Conference metal badge, in gilt.

CHARITY AND CIVICS.

The headquarters of the Conference will be at the Falmouth House, but all the meetings will probably be held in various rooms of the City Hall. The active chairman of the Local Committee was Mayor last year; the present Mayor, much interested in the Conference, was one of the founders of the Associated Charities of Portland. To hold the meetings in the City Hall is a happy indication of the tie which should everywhere exist between enlightened charity and good government.

THE PORTLAND PROGRAM.

ALL MEETINGS IN THE CITY HALL.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15.

8 P. M. — OPENING SESSION.

Music: Quartet.

Prayer: Rev. W. H. Fenn, D. D.

Remarks by Hon. Frederic E. Boothby, Presiding Officer and Chairman of the Local Committee.

Address of Welcome: Hon. James P. Baxter, Mayor of Portland.

Address of Welcome: Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Ex.-Governor of Maine.

Address: Bishop W. H. O'Connell.

Music: Quartet.

Response on behalf of the Conference: Rev. Samuel G. Smith, D. D., St. Paul, Minn.

Annual Address of the President of the Conference.

Informal Reception.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16.

Morning: 10:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on "Children." Amos W. Butler, Indianapolis, Chairman.

Prayer: Rev. J. K. Wilson, D. D.

Report of Committee.

PREVENTIVE WORK.

Some Factors Preventive of Dependency and Delinquency.

• MANUAL TRAINING.

- a. Work with White Children, T. F. Chapin, Supt. Lyman School, Westboro, Mass.
- b. Work with Colored Children, Wm. E. Benson, Supt. Kowaliga Institute, Kowaliga, Ala.
- c. Work with Indian Children, Hon. Wm. A. Jones, U. S. Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.

CHILD LABOR, Mrs. Florence Kelley, Natl. Consumers' League, New York, N. Y.

General Discussion.

Afternoon: 2 to 3 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Topic, "*The Treatment of Criminals.*" Rev. Fred. H. Wines, Upper Montclair, N. J., Chairman.
Report of Committee.

General Discussion.

3 to 5 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Committee on *Children*. Mr. Butler, Chairman.

Topic: *HELPLESSNESS TO CHILDREN.*

Municipal Regulation of Newsboys, Myron E. Adams, Resident Welcome Hall Social Settlement, Buffalo, N. Y.

Summer Outings, Ernest P. Bicknell, General Superintendent Chicago Bureau of Charities, Chicago, Ills.

State Care of Indigent, Crippled and Deformed Children, Dr. Arthur J. Gillette, Surgeon Minnesota State Hospital for Crippled and Deformed Children, St. Paul, Minn.

Compulsory Education, Fassett A. Cotton, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Indianapolis, Ind.

General Discussion.

Evening: 8:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Needy Families in their Homes*. Ernest P. Bicknell, Chicago, Chairman.

Report of Committee.

Paper: "*The Sociological and Practical Value of Our Accumulated Knowledge*," by Rev. Anna Garlin Spencer, New York City.

General Discussion.

FRIDAY, JUNE 17.

Morning: 10:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Defectives*. Walter E. Fernald, M. D., Waverly, Mass., Chairman.

Prayer: Rev. J. F. Albion, D. D.

Report of Committee: "*Recent Progress in the Treatment of Defectives.*"

Paper: "*The Defective: What He Is: Who He Is: and What can be Done with Him*," by Geo. F. Keene, M. D., Howard, R. I.

General Discussion.

Afternoon: 2 to 4 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Topic, *Needy Families in their Homes*. Mr. Bicknell, Chairman.

Paper: "*The Ethical Values of Industrial Agencies*," by W. I. Nichols, General Secretary Bureau of Charities, Brooklyn, New York.

4 to 5 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Topic, *Criminals*. Mr. Wines, Chairman.

Address: Hon. Z. R. Brockway, Elmira, N. Y.

General Discussion.

Evening: 8:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Neighborhood Improvements*. Miss Jane Addams, Hull House, Chicago, Chairman.

Report of the Committee.

Address: *Recent Developments in Municipal Activities Tending to Neighborhood Improvement*. Prof. Graham Taylor, Chicago.

Address: *Recreational Uses of the Public Schools in New York*. Mrs. Vladimir Simkhovitch, Greenwich House, New York City.

General Discussion.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18.

Morning: 9:30 — GENERAL SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. J. F. Haley, D. D.

Report of Special Committee on "*Workingmen's Insurance*," (final report to be made next year), by Prof. Chas. R. Henderson, University of Chicago.

10:00 — Standing Committee on "*Children*." Mr. Butler, Chairman.

Topic: INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

The Forward Work of Boarding Schools for Delinquents, F. H. Nibecker, Supt. House of Refuge, Glen Mills, Pa.

The Training of Boys, Elmer Butterfield, Reform School for Boys, Howard, R. I.

The Industries and Methods Most Helpful to Girls, Mrs. F. F. Morse, Supt. State Industrial School for Girls, Lancaster, Massachusetts.

General Discussion.

The women of the Industrial Schools will hold a meeting to discuss their problems at a time and place to be announced during the Conference. This meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Emma F. Bland, Chairman, Superintendent of the Wisconsin State Industrial School for Girls, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Afternoon: *Excursion down the Bay*.

Evening: 8:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on "*The Treatment of Criminals*." Mr. Wines, Chairman.

Address: Hon. Charlton T. Lewis, Morristown, N. J.

General Discussion.

SUNDAY, JUNE 19.

Afternoon: *The Conference Sermon*, by Rev. S. M. Crothers, D. D., Cambridge, Mass.

A special service will be arranged.

MONDAY, JUNE 20.

9:30: BUSINESS SESSION.

Prayer: Rev. Lewis Malvern, D. D.

Morning: 10:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *State Supervision and Administration*. Michael J. Scanlan, New York City, Chairman.

Report of Committee.

Paper: *Limits of State Control and Supervision of Charities.*
Rev. A. W. Clark, Omaha, Neb.

Paper: "*State Supervision of Dependent Children.*" Prof. Chas. P. Neill, School of the Social Sciences, Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

General Discussion opened by Miss Mary Vida Clark, of New York.

Afternoon: 2 to 4 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Topic, *Defectives*. Dr. Fernald, Chairman.

Paper: "*The Modern Treatment of the Insane*," by Dr. Chas. P. Bancroft, Concord, N. H.

Paper: "*Treatment of the Feeble Minded*." (Writer to be announced.)

General Discussion.

4 to 5 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Topic, *Children*. Mr. Butler, Chairman.

THE MOTHER STATE AND SOME OF HER MINOR WARDS.

Board of Children's Guardians, Hugh F. Fox, President State Board of Children's Guardians, Jersey City, N. J.

The Work of One State, Miss Bertha Jacobs, Deputy Superintendent Board of State Charity, Boston, Mass.

General Discussion.

Evening: GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Public Dependents*. Frederic Almy, Buffalo, N. Y., Chairman.

Report of Committee: "*The Use of Volunteers by Public Aid Officials.*"

Paper: "*Home Care for Town Poor*," by Miss Frances G. Curtis, Member Mass. State Board of Charities.

"*Some Experiences as Commissioner of Public Charities in New York City*," by Homer Folks, New York City.

General Discussion opened by Francis H. McLean, Gen. District Secretary Bureau of Charities, Chicago.

TUESDAY, JUNE 21.

Morning: 9:30 — BUSINESS SESSION.

Prayer: Rev. John C. Perkins.

10:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Neighborhood Improvements*. Miss Addams, Chairman.

Paper: "*How may Voluntary Organizations Co-operate with Public Officials to Secure Better Tenements, Baths, Play-grounds, and Sanitary Regulation.*" Robert Hunter, New York City.

Address: "*Play-grounds as a Part of the Public School System.*" Joseph Lee, Boston, Mass.

General Discussion.

Afternoon: 2 to 4 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Topic, *Children*. Mr. Butler, Chairman.

HOME FINDING.

Investigation, George L. Schon, Supt. Kentucky Childrens' Home Society, Louisville, Ky.

Placement, Mr. J. B. Montgomery, Supt. State Public School, Coldwater, Mich.

Visitation, Mrs. W. G. Fairbank, Connecticut Industrial School for Girls, Middletown, Conn.

General Discussion.

3 to 5 P. M. — SECTION MEETING. Topic, *Public Dependents*. Mr. Almy, Chairman.

Paper: "*How Should Inmates of Almshouses be Treated,*" by Geo. B. Davis, Richmond, Va.

General Discussion.

Evening: 8:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Needy Families in their Homes*. Mr. Bicknell, Chairman.

Paper: "*Ideals and Methods of Co-operation,*" by Francis H. McLean, Gen. Dist. Sec. Chicago Bureau of Charities.

General Discussion, opened by Rev. J. W. Magruder, Portland, Maine.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22.

Morning: 9:30 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Children*. Mr. Butler, Chairman.

Prayer: Rev. French McAfee.

Topic: *Reception, Care and Supervision of Dependent Children*.

Reception, William B. Streeter, Supt. North Carolina Childrens' Home Society, Greensboro, N. C.

Care, Hon. C. E. Faulkner, Supt. Washburn Memorial Orphan Asylum, Minneapolis, Minn.

State Supervision, Rev. T. L. Kinkead, Peekskill, N. Y.

General Discussion.

11:00 — GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on "*Public Dependents*." Mr. Almy, Chairman.

Paper: "*The Comparative Advantages of Municipal and C. O. S. Lodging Houses*," by Miss Alice L. Higgins, Boston.

Paper: "*What Constitutes a Model Municipal Lodging House*," by Raymond Robins, Superintendent Municipal Lodging House, Chicago.

Discussion led by Francis Bardwell of Sherborn, Mass., and C. C. Carstens of New York City.

Afternoon: 2 to 4—SECTION MEETING. Topic, *Needy Families in their Homes*. Mr. Bicknell, Chairman.

Informal Discussion of *Concrete Problems dealing with Needy Families and Some Attempts at Their Solution*.

Evening: 8:00—GENERAL SESSION. Standing Committee on *Children*. Mr. Butler, Chairman.

Juvenile Courts and Probation.

Juvenile Courts, Prof. Charles R. Henderson, Chicago University, Chicago, Ills.

The Work of the Juvenile Court, Judge George W. Stubbs, Judge of Juvenile Court, Indianapolis, Ind.

Probation Work, Mrs. Helen W. Rogers, Chief Probation Officer Juvenile Court, Indianapolis, Ind.

General Discussion.

CLOSING EXERCISES.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

A considerable number of Conference delegates and members will take advantage of the early dates on which tickets are to be placed on sale (four days before the opening day, including Sunday) to reach Portland in time to enjoy some of the many delightful side trips from Portland—the White Mountains, Bar Harbor, etc.—or to hold informal meetings, or to take part in the following specially arranged meetings.

The president of the Conference, after consultation with several representatives of leading societies for visiting nursing, announces that visiting nurses and persons interested in the management of visiting nurses' associations, throughout the country, are urged to attend the Conference at Portland, and to come to Portland in time for two special meetings which will be held on Tuesday evening, June 14th at 8 o'clock and Wednesday morning, June 15th, in a parlor of the Falmouth Hotel. The programs for these meetings have been arranged by a committee consisting of Miss Jane Hitchcock, 265 Henry St., New York City, Miss Stark of Boston, Miss Fulmer of Chicago, Miss Wightman of Philadelphia and Miss Carr of Newport, R. I.

The following topics will be discussed:

TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 14, 1904.

8 O'CLOCK.

1. Should the educational and instructive features of visiting nursing be given such importance as to make skilled nursing only a secondary consideration? 2. What are the best methods for a visiting nurse to pursue in order to secure sufficient care for her very sick patients at night? 3. How shall we care for contagious cases when it is impossible to have one nurse specialize one class of diseases? 4. The advisability of impressing upon the public the growing necessity of nurses devoted to the care of cases of tuberculosis.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 15, 1904.

10 O'CLOCK.

1. To what extent may the administration of sick diet and general relief be entrusted to district nurses without reference to investigating societies? 2. Is a central home the best way to keep the interest and esprit du corps of the nurses or should a nurse have residence in the district in which she works? 3. Comparative methods of bookkeeping, records, reports, etc. What style of bag, apron, dress is desirable? Has a prescribed street uniform advantages over a less conspicuous style of dress? 4. Consideration as to the forming of a Federation of Visiting Nurses in America, adopting a uniform method both in dress and administration. See Queen's Nurses in England and the Victoria Order in Canada.

The officers of institutions for Juvenile Delinquents, Reformatories and Industrial schools, have made arrangements to hold a special meeting, or series of meetings of those "interested in the education of backward, delinquent and truant children." These meetings will be held on the two or three days immediately preceding the opening of the Conference.

Representatives of the various forms of effort for the education of the classes of children mentioned will be present and take part. Parental school work, special school work in the large cities, and the school work of those institutions that confine themselves distinctively to the care of delinquent children, will have practical men and women in these various lines present and all of the elements that enter into the formative education of children will be exploited by people of experience in the different lines. Special attention will be given to determining the modifications which are necessarily made in the curricula of public schools to adapt them for the highest use in special schools. Any correspondence upon the subject may be addressed to F. H. Nibecker, Chairman, Glen Mills, Pa.

COMMITTEE ON CHARITABLE TRANSPORTATION.

What Mr. Jeffrey R. Brackett speaks of as "an object lesson in co-operation and in common sense in our work" is to be presented to the Portland Conference in the shape of a report of work accomplished by the "Committee on Charitable Transportation." This group of four conference members was organized at the Detroit meeting by the section on Needy Families in their Homes. At the Atlanta Conference the committee submitted the first edition of their "suggested rules concerning the issuance of free transportation and charity rates," together with a new and complete telegraphic code for prompt and economical communication between the charitable agencies who should accept the rules. Reappointed or continued at Atlanta, the committee modified the rules in accordance with suggestions secured at the conference and issued the permanent handbook in July, 1903.

This little book, with its thirteen rules and suggestions and its seventeen pages of classified telegraphic code, was submitted to the various charitable organizations and officials interested in the issuance of charitable transportation throughout the country. As a result one hundred and forty-two societies signed the rules. This number included four general passenger associations each representing a number of railroad lines.

The most important group of organizations which adopted the rules were the various Hebrew Societies represented by the "National Conference of Jewish Charities." This organization had already adopted a set of similar transportation rules and a telegraphic code prepared by its own committee. It decided to use instead the handbook promulgated by the National Conference committee considering that the latter represented a larger, more comprehensive movement and that its telegraphic code was more complete and serviceable while its rules were practically the same as those which the Hebrew Charities had followed satisfactorily for some time.

The last edition of the Handbook was published January 1, 1904, containing the names, addresses and name of corresponding officer of all the societies which had agreed to abide by the rules and use the telegraphic code. The list represents charitable agencies and officials of almost every class, not being limited to charity organization societies or any other single line of philanthropic work. Ninety-five different cities are represented by the hundred and forty-two signers.

The expenses of the committee's work have amounted to \$221.98, all for printing and postage, except \$4.00 for special stenographic service. The extensive work done by the committee members was of course gratuitous and the clerical services necessary were provided by the Associated Charities of Washington, D. C.

Voluntary contributions from societies and individuals interested constituted the only source of revenue. That the work has been considered

valuable is partly evidenced by the fact that \$264.13 have been contributed, leaving in the committee's hands an unexpended balance of \$42.15 for further work. Fifty-three different organizations and individuals have given financial support to the movement.

Since the last edition of the handbook was published, five additional organizations have adopted the rules. These names it is proposed to publish in a special supplement to the handbook, to be printed soon after the conference at Portland. At the latter it is expected that a number of additional subscribers to the rules may be enlisted thus adding to the value of the supplement proposed. Apparently there is every reason to expect that the movement has only just begun and that other charitable agencies and other cities will be added from time to time to the list of those who have agreed to co-operate in the sensible, systematic reformation of prevailing abuses in the transportation of dependent people.

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